fabric for a disposable wearing article having upper and lower surfaces and formed with a plurality of openings extending through the upper and lower surfaces. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at the bottom of page 8, continuing on page 9, and ending on page 10 with the following:

- Fig 4 is a view similar to Fig. 2 but showing another embodiment of the invention, Fig. 5 is a sectional view taken along the line V - V in Fig. 4 and Fig. 6 is a sectional view taken along a line VI - VI in Fig. 5. The topsheet 2 according to this embodiment comprises a nonwoven fabric layer 21 having upper and lower surfaces 22, 23 and a thermoplastic synthetic resin film layer 24 bonded to the upper surface 22. The nonwoven fabric layer 21 is similar to the topsheet 2 illustrated by Fig. 2 in that the layer 21 has the fibrous zone 11 and the opening zones 12. The film layer 24 comprises a plurality of ribbon-like strips 26 spaced from and extending in parallel to one another in one direction, for example, in the longitudinal direction y. These ribbon-like strips 26 are welded or bonded by adhesion to the nonwoven fabric layer 21 and interrupted in the longitudinal direction by the respective opening zones 12, so the ribbon-like strips 26 do not cover the opening zones 12. The ribbon-like strips 26 do not cover the opening zones 12. The ribbon-like strips 26 bonded to the nonwoven fabric, particularly to the fibers 6 forming the peripheral walls 27 of the opening zones 12 and the protuberance 14 serve to protect these opening zones 12 and protuberance 14 serve to protect these opening zones 12 and protuberance 14 from getting out of shape during use of the napkin 1. Each pair of the adjacent ribbon-like strips 26 are preferably connected to each other by bridges 32 extending in the transverse direction x so that a relative movement of these ribbon-like strips 26 can be restrained and a distance between them can be reliably maintained. The translucent or opaque ribbon-like strips 26 may be used to conceal the core 4 which was sailed with menstrual discharge absorbed therein. --

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